

In the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa comprising as active ingredients a combination of 4-[(4-chlorophenyl)methyl]-2-(hexahydro-1-methyl-1H-azepin-4-yl)-1(2H)phthalazinone (AZELASTINE) ~~at least one antihistamine~~, or a stereoisomer, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or physiologically functional derivative thereof, and ciclesonide, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt of ciclesonide, an epimer of ciclesonide, or a physiologically functional derivative of ciclesonide, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and/or one or more excipients, wherein said pharmaceutical composition has an osmotic pressure of less than 290 mOsm.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 1, wherein said osmotic pressure is 150 mOsm or less.

4. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 1, wherein said osmotic pressure is 60 mOsm or less.

5. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 1, wherein said osmotic pressure is 40 mOsm or less.

6. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 1, wherein said osmotic pressure is 20 mOsm or less.

7. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 1, further comprising an osmotic pressure-controlling agent.

8. (Currently amended) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 1, ~~wherein said~~ further comprising a water-insoluble and/or water-low soluble substance ~~is a cellulose.~~

9. (Currently amended) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 21 ~~[[8]]~~, wherein said cellulose is microcrystalline cellulose.

10. (Currently amended) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 8 ~~[[1]]~~, wherein said one or more water-insoluble and/or water-low soluble substances is/are present as solid particles in an aqueous medium.

11. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 1, further comprising a water-soluble polymer substance.

12. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 11, wherein a combination of said water-insoluble substance and water-soluble polymer is present which is microcrystalline cellulose and carboxymethyl cellulose sodium.

13. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 1, further comprising a surfactant and/or a wetting agent.

14. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 1, wherein said mucosa is nasal mucosa.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Canceled)

17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently amended) A method for the treatment of allergic rhinitis and/or allergic conjunctivitis in a mammal, which comprises administration of a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical formulation comprising 4-[(4-chlorophenyl)methyl]-2-(hexahydro-1-methyl-1H-azepin-4-yl)-1(2H)phthalazinone (AZELASTINE) ~~at least one antihistamine~~ or a stereoisomer, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or physiologically functional derivative thereof, and ciclesonide or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or physiologically functional derivative thereof, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and/or one or more excipients.

19. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1, wherein said epimer of ciclesonide is [11 β ,16 α (S)]-16,17-[(cyclohexylmethylen)bis(oxy)]-11-hydroxy-21-(2-methyl-1-oxopropoxy)-pregna-1,4-dien-3,20-dion and is present in any mixing ratio with ciclesonide, [11 β ,16 α (R)]-16,17-[(cyclohexylmethylen)bis(oxy)]-11-hydroxy-21-(2-methyl-1-oxopropoxy)-pregna-1,4-dien-3,20-dion.

20. (Previously presented) The method of claim 18, wherein said mammal is a human.

21. (New) The pharmaceutical composition for application to the mucosa according to claim 8, wherein said water-insoluble and/or water-low soluble substance is a cellulose.